

Summoned Bertha Helena Scheel Ransburg this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1948, and Writ of Subpoena served on her and Copy of Writ of Subpoena, and Copy of Bill of Complaint left with Dr. Robert E. Gardner Superintendent of the Springfield State Hospital where the said Bertha Helena Scheel Ransburg is confined.

J. Wesley Mathias  
Sheriff Carroll Co.

Filed July 19, 1948

Received the 12 day of July 1948  
& forthwith delivered to Sheriff of Carroll Co.  
Ernest A. Shoemaker  
Clerk.

PETITION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO

Johanna Bettie Boyer, widow,  
et. al.

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No. 16451 Equity.

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Vs.

In the Circuit Court

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Bertha Helena Scheel Ransburg

"

for Frederick County.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGES OF SAID COURT:

The Petition of Johanna Bettie Boyer, et, al, respectfully represents unto your Honorable Court:

FIRST: That your Complainants caused to be issued out of the Circuit Court for Frederick County the Writ of Subpoena directed to Bertha Helena Scheel Ransburg, who was duly summoned by the Sheriff of Carroll County, Maryland, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1948, and has failed to answer said Bill of Complaint, although the time for so doing, under the rule of your Honorable Court has long since passed.

TO THE END, THEREFORE,

1st. That a Decree PRO CONFESSO may be taken against the said Defendant who has been regularly summoned.

2nd. And for such other and further relief as the nature of the case may require.

William M. Storer  
SOLICITOR FOR COMPLAINANTS

ORDERED on the foregoing Petition this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1948, by the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting as a Court of Equity, and by the authority thereof, that said Bill of Complaint be taken as confessed against the Defendant, Bertha Helena Scheel Ransburg.

Patrick M. Schmaroff

Filed August 19, 1948